

## Meeting Minutes

### Environmental Services Committee

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Wednesday, June 19, 2024

1:30 PM

6th Floor Boardroom  
625 Fisgard St.  
Victoria, BC V8W 1R7

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#### PRESENT

Directors: B. Desjardins (Chair), S. Tobias (Vice Chair) (EP), J. Caradonna, G. Holman, D. Murdock, M. Tait (EP), D. Thompson, A. Wickheim, C. Plant (Board Chair, ex-officio)

Staff: T. Robbins, Chief Administrative Officer; L. Jones, General Manager, Parks, Recreation and Environmental Services; P. Kickham, Manager, Environmental Regulations; L. Ferris, Manager, Environmental Resource Management Policy and Planning; M. Lagoa, Deputy Corporate Officer; J. Dorman, Committee Clerk (Recorder)

EP - Electronic Participation

Regrets: Director(s) J. Brownoff, D. Kobayashi

Guest: Director K. Williams

The meeting was called to order at 1:32 pm.

#### 1. Territorial Acknowledgement

C. Plant provided a Territorial Acknowledgement.

#### 2. Approval of Agenda

**MOVED** by Director Plant, **SECONDED** by Director Thompson,  
That Director Williams be permitted to participate (without vote) in the June 19,  
2024 session of the Environmental Services Committee meeting.  
**CARRIED**

**MOVED** by Director Thompson , **SECONDED** by Director Plant,  
That the agenda for the June 19, 2024 Environmental Services Committee  
meeting be approved.  
**CARRIED**

#### 3. Adoption of Minutes

3.1. [24-612](#) Minutes of the May 15, 2024 Environmental Services Committee Meeting

**MOVED** by Director Plant, **SECONDED** by Director Wickheim,  
That the minutes of the Environmental Services Committee meeting of May 15,  
2024 be adopted as circulated.  
**CARRIED**

#### 4. Chair's Remarks

Chair Desjardins spoke about the importance of the agenda items of today's meeting.

#### 5. Presentations/Delegations

There were no presentations.

##### 5.1. Delegations

- 5.1.1. [24-647](#) Delegation - Jonathan O'Riordan; Representing Mt Work Coalition: Re: Agenda Items: 6.2. Biosolids Literature and Legal Review - June Update, 6.3. Biosolids Beneficial Use Options - Request for Expressions of Interest; and 6.4. Biosolids Advanced Thermal Demonstration Plant - Project Update

J. O'Riordan spoke to Items 6.2, 6.3 and 6.4

#### 6. Committee Business

- 6.1. [24-620](#) Millstream Meadows Remediation Project

P. Kickham spoke to Item 6.1.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- acquisition and retention of property
- contamination and liability provisions
- remediation and monitoring
- uncommitted capital reserve and debt servicing payment

**MOVED by Director Caradonna, SECONDED by Director Plant,  
The Environmental Services Committee recommends to the Capital Regional  
District Board:**

**That the Millstream Meadows project budget increase from \$14.7M to \$15.32M be  
incorporated into the 2024 capital plan, with the additional project budget of  
\$0.62M funded from uncommitted project capital on hand.**

**CARRIED**

**6.2.**     [24-604](#)           Biosolids Literature and Legal Review - June Update

L. Jones spoke to Item 6.2.

Discussion ensued on the predisposition of the outcome.

**MOVED by Director Caradonna, SECONDED by Director Holman,  
The Environmental Services Committee recommends to the Capital Regional  
District Board:**

**1. That staff be directed to secure a tenured professor that fulfills the qualification criteria outlined in this report, to undertake the independent literature review, as per the terms of reference previously approved for this work, with a budget not to exceed \$40,000; and**

**2. That staff be directed to procure a legal review in alignment with the selection criteria and scope of work presented in this report, with a budget not to exceed \$25,000.**

**CARRIED**

**6.3.**     [24-610](#)           Biosolids Beneficial Use Options - Request for Expressions of Interest

L. Jones spoke to Item 6.3.

Discussion ensued on the potential for in-house versus external biosolids management and biocell inclusion in the long-term use strategy.

**MOVED by Director Plant, SECONDED by Director Caradonna,  
The Environmental Services Committee recommends to the Capital Regional  
District Board:**

**That staff be directed to issue a Request for Expressions of Interest for biosolids management under Tier 2 of the Long-term Biosolids Beneficial Use Strategy.**

**CARRIED**

**6.4.**     [24-611](#)           Biosolids Advanced Thermal Demonstration Plant - Project Update

L. Ferris presented Item 6.4. for information.

Discussion ensued on the following:

- wood and biomass waste
- tonnage levels of waste
- pilot project and partnership opportunities
- RFP timeline and results

**6.5.**     [24-608](#)           Previous Minutes of Other CRD Committees and Commissions for Information

**The following minutes were received for information:**

- a) Solid Waste Advisory Committee - June 7, 2024**
- b) Technical and Community Advisory Committee Meeting - May 22, 2024**

**7. Notice(s) of Motion**

There were no notice(s) of motion.

**8. New Business**

There was no new business.

**9. Adjournment**

**MOVED by Director Caradonna, SECONDED by Director Thompson,  
That the June 19, 2024 Environmental Services Committee meeting be adjourned  
at 2:54 pm.  
CARRIED**

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CHAIR

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RECORDER